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For information on the Spring Ball or adoption, call McKenzie at 443-7080.

"23 Skidoo"

Sally Gerak is chairing The Community House in Birmingham's yearlong celebration of its 70th birthday, with a kick-off party "23 Skidoo & Birthday Too" on Wednesday.

In early planning, a bathtub for "bathtub gin" (it was 1923) was suggested as a fun prop for ginger ale at the Hoaring Twenties party. Where to get an old-fashioned bathtub? Sally ended up with two! One was from Bob Mounsey of Jacobson's and another was found by Margourite Hague at Campus Treasures near Wayne State University in Detroit. Campus Treasures sells old architectural pieces from torn-down buildings.

Need an old-fashioned bathtub? Gerak says call Hague at 646-9288.

Spring solree

Invitations have been mailed for Spring Solree, the annual dinner dance and auction supporting the Henry Ford Hospice Program. Claire Chambers of Bloomfield Hills is benefit chairwoman and Val McCammon is vice-chairwoman for the evening, which will honor Dr. Josefina Magno, one of the first individuals supporting the hospice concept.

Committee from the local area includes Eleanor Gabrys, Millie Pastor, Hanan Farah, Kathleen

Benninger, Kitty Burch, Nora Dunning, Barbara Eanes-Smith, Natalie Hadesman, Alleen Magill, Linda Morrow, Ann Samenuk and Maggie Allee.

For reservations, call Val McCammon at 855-2676.

Shark tournament

Former Birminghamite Mike Acheson came the farthest and caught the biggest shark at 270 pounds, an awe-inspiring 10-foot Hammerhead Shark.

Only sharks weighing more than 250 pounds were brought in. Others were released. Acheson and his wife, Adele, live in Plymouth, England, where he is general manager of Acheson Colloids Co.

Seats available

According to chairwoman Maggie Allee, her Media On Parade V for the Salvation Army has more television, radio and press celebrities with their children than ever before, parading clothes Wednesday in the Grand Manor at Fairlane in Dearborn.

Maggie's husband, Bob Allson of WEXL, will do his annual stint as master of ceremonies with Barbara Carey.

Katie Valente is honorary chairwoman and will be in the media parade with her children, Nikki and Sam Jr. Suzanne Nana is Salvation Army president.

For tickets, call Ida Krandle at 851-4524.



Honorary chairwoman: Katie Valente (center) will model in the Media on Parade show with her children Sam Jr. and Nikki.



Media co-chairwomen: Maggie Allee (left), chairwoman of the Media fashion show by Twelve Oaks Mall, poses with her co-chairwoman, Salvation Army Auxiliary president Suzanne Naas.



Spring solree: Chatting are chairwoman Claire Chambers (left), honoree Dr. Josefina Magno and Eleanor Gabrys, who is on the committee.



Wedding gown: A like-new wedding gown is shown by Claudia Snyder.

Spaulding patrons: At patron party are attorney Barbara Rom (left), Bill Coleman and his wife Desma, and Marty Rom. The Roms hosted the event.

Fish story: Former resident Mike Acheson landed the biggest shark in the Key West Tournament and came the longest way — from England. Mike's catch weighed in at 270 pounds.



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